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**PATENT
APPLICATION**

REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION

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RULE 53(f) NO DECLARATION

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Date: November 28, 2001

Sir:

1. This is a Request for filing a new Patent Application(☐ Design ☒ Utility) entitled:

2. (Complete) Title: **DIGITAL RECORDING/REPRODUCING APARATUS WITH BUILT-IN STORAGE MEDIUM**

without a filing fee or Oath/Declaration but for which is enclosed the following:

3. ☒ Abstract 1 page(s).

4. 38 Pages of Specification (only spec. and claims); 5. ☐ Specification in non-English language

6. 17 Numbered claim(s); and

7. ☒ Drawings: 10 sheet(s) ☐ 1 set informal; 8. ☒ formal of size: ☒ A4 ☐ 11"

9. **DOMESTIC/INTERNATIONAL** priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e)/120/365(c) based on the following provisional, nonprovisional and/or PCT international application(s):

Application No.	Filing Date	Application No.	Filing Date
(1)		(2)	
(3)		(4)	
(5)		(6)	

10. **FOREIGN** priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(a)-(d)/365(b) based on filing in JAPAN

Application No.	Filing Date	Application No.	Filing Date
(1) 2000-365928	November 30, 2000	(2)	
(3)		(4)	
(5)		<input type="checkbox"/> See 3 rd page for additional priorities	

11. 1 (No.) Certified copy (copies): ☒ attached; ☐ previously filed (date) _____
in U.S. Application No. 1 filed on _____

12. ☐ This is a reissue of Patent No. _____

13. ☐ See top first page re prior Provisional, National, International application(s) (X box only if info is there and do not complete item 14 or 15.)

14. This application claims benefit of the following prior US application(s), the contents of which are incorporated into this application by this reference:

No. 1 filed _____
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No. PCT/ 1 filed _____

designated the U.S. and that International Application ☐ was ☐ was not published under PCT Acticle 21(2) in English

15. ☐ See the attached Preliminary Amendment, which amends the specification to claim benefit of the above listed US applications

16. Extension to date: ☐ concurrently filed ☐ not needed ☐ previously filed

17. ☐ Small Entity Status is claimed (**pre-filing confirmation required**)

17(a) ☐ Attached: (No.) Small Entity Statement(s). (Since 9/8/00 Small Entity Statement not essential to make claim)

17(b) ☐ See **NONPUBLICATION REQUEST** under Rule 213(a) attached (Pat-258)

18. ☐ Assignee (optional): _____

19. ☐ Attached:

20. This application is made by the following named inventor(s) (Double check instructions for accuracy.):
(Listing of inventor(s) not a requirement, but list if known)

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21. NOTE: FOR ADDITIONAL INVENTORS, "X" box ☐ and list additional inventors on attached sheet (incorporated by reference)

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